

7690.1430 NEW PROJECT PROPOSALS; ENDING EXISTING PROJECTS.

Interested persons, including political subdivisions and nonprofit and community organizations, may submit alternative projects for inclusion in a utility's conservation improvement program at any time. In addition, a utility may submit a proposal for a new project at times other than when the utility is required to submit its biennial conservation improvement program. Utilities or interested persons also may submit proposals to terminate an existing project. Proposals for alternative projects must follow the requirements of part 7690.0500, except for part 7690.0500, subpart 2, item D. Utility proposals for new projects must follow all the requirements of part 7690.0500. The party submitting the alternative or new proposal shall provide a copy of the alternative or new utility project proposal to any person, upon request. Department staff shall conduct a completeness review of alternative or new utility project proposals, or existing project termination proposals, in the time frame and manner specified in part 7690.0500, subpart 3. The department shall allow 15 days for written comments on the alternative or new utility project or existing project termination proposal. The time period allowed for written comments begins on the date that the department's finding of completion under part 7690.0500, subpart 3, is issued. The department shall allow 15 days from the filing of the comments for written reply comments. These alternative or new utility project or existing project termination proposals, comments, and reply comments must be provided to the Public Utilities Commission, the department, the utility to which they are addressed, and other parties on the affected utility's conservation improvement program service list.

The department staff's proposed decision must be issued no later than ten days after the reply comments described in this part are due. Written comments on the proposed decision are due 15 days from the date the proposed decision is issued. The commissioner shall issue a written decision, including the commissioner's reasons for the decision, within 30 days from the date comments are due on the department staff's proposed decision.

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